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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jerry McCoy, DOB 6/12/68, formerly of 9402 Hillcreek Drive, Verona, and Marvin Artley, DOB 5/29/67, formerly of 1911 Winnebago Street, Madison, were sentenced today in U.S. District Court in Madison for their role in a large cocaine conspiracy. U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz sentenced McCoy to 27 years and 4 months in prison without parole; he also fined McCoy \$50,000. Judge Shabaz sentenced Artley to 10 years and 5 months in federal prison without parole.

In sentencing Artley, Judge Shabaz found that he was responsible for distributing between one-half to two kilograms of cocaine in the Madison area during 2003 and 2004. Judge Shabaz found that Artley worked with and for Jerry McCoy in this cocaine business. Artley's sentence was also increased because he possessed numerous loaded firearms in his apartment in connection with the drug business and was, in fact, involved in a shooting which took place in his apartment on July 25, 2003, when individuals came to that apartment to rob McCoy of money and drugs.

In sentencing McCoy, Judge Shabaz found that McCoy was involved in distributing between 15 kilograms and 50 kilograms of cocaine over approximately a

four-year period. Judge Shabaz increased McCoy's sentence for the possession of firearms and also because McCoy was an organizer and leader in this large cocaine business. Judge Shabaz noted that McCoy had a previous conviction in the Eastern District of Wisconsin and had served time in federal prison for conspiring to distribute cocaine. Judge Shabaz found that that sentence had not deterred him and even the shootout at Artley's apartment had not deterred McCoy from his drug dealing. Judge Shabaz stated that the lengthy sentence was necessary to remove McCoy from society and to protect this community.

Acting United States Attorney Sinnott stated that today's sentencings were the result of an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration; the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force, the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation - Narcotics Bureau; the DeForest Police Department; the Fitchburg Police Department; and the Internal Revenue Service - Criminal Investigation Division.

Prosecution of these cases was handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey M. Anderson.

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